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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of: Shore and Bennett

Application No. 10/551,255

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For: A BUSH AND METHOD OF

MANUFACTURING A BUSH

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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION/ELECTION REQUIREMENT

This responds to the Office action dated December 17, 2009. A one-month shortened period of response was set, making a response timely if filed on or before January 18, 2010 (January 17, 2010 falls on a weekend). It is believed that no fees are required for this filing. However, if the Commissioner determines that fees are required, Applicant hereby gives permission to take such fees from Deposit Account 02-4550.

Please amend the referenced application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2.

Remarks begin on page 6.